

# BFC KICKS

Brookings Futbol Club

## **BFC Spirit Wear now available!**

Wouldn't it be great to give a BFC Christmas gift? Or how about your son or daughter that has a Winter Birthday, wouldn't it be great to surprise them with a BFC bag, sweatshirt or t-shirt? Our Spirit Wear coordinator has an on-line store open **RIGHT NOW!** The deadline to order is November 10th. Visit [brookingsfc.com](http://brookingsfc.com) and order today!

## **Competitive Season registration is open!**

Indoor/Outdoor Season  
**NOW OPEN**

\$175.00 U8

\$200.00 U9-U12

Nov 2016 – Jul 2017

This includes training and Cubby's Futsal and Fishback Tournament for the U9-12 players. (Excludes all other event costs)

## Winners of the Fall 2016 3 V 3 **Congratulations!!**

*Dawson Peters and Rachel Burke*



Great job everyone! We hope you enjoyed the 3V3 League.

## Competitive Season cont'

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**\$175.00 U9-U12**

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### Outdoor Season – Will OPEN SOON

\$150.00 U8 and \$175.00 U9-U12

Mar 2017 – Jul 2017

This includes training sessions and Fishback Tournament.

(Excludes all other event costs)

**Events**– Tournaments and other events are determined by the technical director. Event costs for events outside of Brookings are not included and typically range from \$10–\$60 plus travel when necessary. ALL TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS ARE OPTIONAL.

Once registration is closed teams will be formed and you will be contacted by your player's team manager or coach.

## The Volunteer Points System year is coming to an end!

November 30th is the end of the Volunteer Point Contract for the 2016 season. The Board of Directors continues to think this system is a huge success. We were able to fill most of the spots needed for tournaments and concession openings (although we didn't open the concession a few times this Fall because no one signed up). We were able to get many more people involved in our club. We have a Spirit Wear Coordinator, Team Reporters and a Public Relations Director that assisted in getting results to the newspaper and radio. We were able to make improvements in the Equipment room by adding an Equipment Director and had consistency with our Concessions Director. Not to mention the position that keeps all of this organized, our VPS Director. All of these volunteers and positions were made possible because of the VPS.

There are still a few families that might want opportunities to work off some points. Keep checking the web site for some possible clean up spots. Any questions you can contact the VPS coordinator at [pointsdirector@brookingsfc.com](mailto:pointsdirector@brookingsfc.com). Before long a message will be sent to all families who still have points left to work notifying you that your check will be cashed. There possibly will be some families who didn't quite hit the total points, so we will cash your check - but will also refund any points that were worked. All of this will take place in November and December.

The VPS committee has also made some changes going into next year. There were some new positions created as well as others that have been removed. As soon as we finish this year keep an eye out for some new positions that could use YOUR talents. Taking on a Club Position is a great way to get involved and to start seeing first hand how the club operates. We hope we have created positions that service the club and could make an impact on your club, your team and most importantly YOUR player.

## Thank You!

All involved in BFC LEAGUE -

We just completed the Fall League for BFC. Once again it was a huge effort to get all players registered, teams made, coaches assigned, t-shirts ordered, referees assigned, fields set-up and the list goes on and on. This Fall marks the first League ran by our NEW League VP Michelle Friedrich. With the help of our out-going VP Cindy Harms, Club Administrator Sheri Heinz and our Technical Director Brock Thompson, I think we can all agree it was a huge success. We all owe these selfless people a sincere thanks.

With the exception of a few cold and rainy days we had a couple of months of great soccer weather. There were hundreds of Brookings youth participating in our Fall League from ages 8 to 13. We had numerous volunteer coaches who put hours in making sure all kids had playing time, got the chance to kick, dribble, shoot and save over the 2 month season.

The BFC board can't thank everyone enough for helping make our League a fun experience for the kids and helping promote soccer in the Brookings Community.

Sincerely - the BFC Board of Directors!

## What is the BFC Development Program?

A few years back when BFC re-organized a voting board position was created for Development. This position has been filled from its inception by Amber Carda. As you all know BFC is a non-profit organization. There really isn't much need to try and "make" money other than possibly trying to make capitol improvements at Fishback Soccer Complex, investing in employees or possibly some day having a "home" for BFC. So why have a Development program?

The Board of Directors is very conscientious on trying to make soccer an affordable club for its members, while also providing the best coaching and organization we can. Even running a non-profit with many volunteers we have expenses. It has been the main goal for the Development Program to find ways to raise funds using our assets.

Many of you might not know that all of the signage out at Fishback Soccer Complex is administered by BFC. We have numerous levels of commitment for the signs inside the competition field as well as the concession stand and other various locations. The Development Committee has a comprehensive contract for companies around town to advertise out at Fishback. Amber and her committee also works with our League to provide opportunities to sponsor our League Teams. We feel like this program allows smaller businesses the chance be associated with a child's teams and really feel involved with BFC.

BFC also hosts two very large tournaments. To maximize the profit we have two tournament sponsors and the Development Program is who secures the sponsors and makes sure we follow up on our commitments to them.

Recently we also entered into a contract with Under Armour. There are many different levels that this sponsorship helps BFC and I wanted to touch on a couple. One of the main reasons we looked into a relationship this year was because all of our BFC teams were going to need new uniforms. With this relationship we can “subsidize” the cost of the uniforms to, once again, try and keep the costs affordable for our family’s. We are also able to offer some items from UA to our club members and get a percentage back - kind of like a fundraiser within our contract. Hopefully we will be able to get more information to you soon about this part of the program. Over the past couple of years we have come to the realization that BFC is a large account in terms of purchasing t-shirts. With the number of League teams we have each season and having a different logo on each team, it was imperative to negotiate as good a deal as we could. So consolidating our uniforms, spirit wear, t-shirts, screen printing, embroidery, etc was the reason we decided to get into a sponsorship contract. By signing the agreement we lock into better prices which should help us keep our club fees and cost down.

The Development Program provides funds to help develop our coaches. It also allows us to get equipment when needed, and helps pay for practice facilities, etc without transferring the total cost back to the club members. In essence it is a “subsidy” program for all members. There will always be increasing fees that are out of our control. As a club when we have some larger needs or wants we hope that we can do these things because of our Development Program. We don’t know what the future holds, but it would be great for BFC to start hiring some full time administrative employees as well as employees on the coaching side. It is also a goal to have our own offices and eventually our own practice facility. We can accomplish these things in a couple of ways - but from a leadership perspective, we hope that we can use our assets to keep working for us and help us to provide the best for our club members.

If you have additional questions you can always contact [vpdevelopment@brookingsfc.com](mailto:vpdevelopment@brookingsfc.com) or [dwebbfc@hotmail.com](mailto:dwebbfc@hotmail.com).

